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COMMUNICATIONS.

THOMAS H. CAVE, JR.

To the Editor of the Register:

Again the writer commends to the favorable consideration of the yeomanry of "Old Addison" a friend in the person of Thomas H. Cave, Jr., of Barre city, candidate for State Auditor. The true and real Jeffersonian test "Is he capable? Is he honest?" can be safely applied to him. If the people of the State should elect him to this office, though he is not a member of the legal fraternity and though he did not encamp on the bloodless field of Chickamauga in 1868, the mantle of Horace F. Graham will have fallen upon a worthy and competent successor.

F. H. WARNER.

Cornwall, Vt., August 15.

WHAT IT MEANS TO ASSEMBLE AND MAINTAIN THE NATIONAL GUARD.

To the Editor of the Register:

A good many letters reach us from friends who can not understand why the National Guard is kept in the service of the United States now that the Mexican situation has apparently quieted down. Newspaper sentiment and even resolutions offered in Congress express the same view. Apparently many people think we are doing nothing at all here on the border, since we are not sent forward across the Rio Grande.

It is not a soldier's business to question policies, but to obey orders, yet it may be proper for me to explain that we are far from idle in our present occupation, and that it is not difficult for us who are in the service to see the value of the work in which we are now engaged. The feeling to which I have referred seems to be based on the idea that if a soldier is not shooting at an enemy, he is doing nothing. As a matter of fact, actual battle is only a very small part of a soldier's life. The battle of Gettysburg lasted only three days, while the Civil War continued four years. The average number of engagements participated in by the soldiers of the Union army was ten. Some served for months and were never under fire. There are few men in the United States army to-day who have been under fire a dozen times. They are faithful, able men, entitled to all credit and honor, yet for the most part they have been doing just what, in proportion to our ability, we have been doing since our arrival on the border.

Preparation, learning the profession of arms and the duties of a soldier, and attending to the routine of army life, describe army work the large part of the time, and much of the time even when a nation is at war.

The military education of officers and men includes very much more than is generally realized. What is popularly understood as "military drill" is only a very small part of it. A very important part is the care of an army in the field, not on a prepared camp ground with a water system and electric lights, but under some such trying conditions as actually face us on the border. In the assembly and maintenance of the guard regiments here the army has had the best possible practice. The wonder is, not that some things have been lacking, but that a task of such magnitude has been accomplished so successfully and with such little friction.

Here are some 10,000 of us at Eagle Pass, a city of half as many people, and all have been housed, fed, clothed, and supplied tolerably well with army equipment. There have been wagons and motor trucks for all necessary transportation, and mules for the wagons and gasoline for the trucks. A division bakery has been established and it has turned out a sufficient supply of wholesome bread each day. The butter has not run short, nor the sugar, nor the salt. There were tent pins for all the tents and shovels to dig ditches to drain off the rains. Not a cord of

wood can be cut hereabouts, but the army had enough wood freighted here for the greedy out-door stoves, and all we have had to do has been to send our mule teams after it—except the first week, before the mules came, when the boys had to back it. When the poor fellow died from his burns, there was even a coffin for him in the Quartermaster's storehouse.

This morning a number of powerful Packard trucks went by our camp, each one towing on wheels a large boat for a pontoon bridge. Each of these pontoons is as big, or bigger, than one of the sail scows used for ferries on Lake Champlain, much longer but not quite so wide. I suspect there were enough of them here to make a bridge over the Rio Grande, and men and materials to lay them so that an army could cross. It cost over \$2000 for the freight alone on those pontoons from the place where they had been stored. It cost no small sum to build them, and not a little for the pay and sustenance of the men who know how to use them. Yet the country has heard nothing of them, and even if we had had war a pontoon bridge would have figured for only a line in the story of events. But if there had been war, and if the International Bridge had been blown up, and if our army had then had no means of crossing, the failure in our preparation would have been a scandal.

War is a tremendously elaborate and expensive affair, and preparation for war is correspondingly difficult and costly. This concentration of the Guard on the border has been the most valuable lesson in preparation our nation has had for eighteen years. Every day is adding to it. The usefulness of the practice, not only for those who are new at the business, but not less for the regular army, will continue to increase for months yet. If we take our preparedness convictions at all seriously, we will be willing to continue the experiment as long as those best fitted to judge shall consider it useful.

Either the heat is less trying or we are becoming acclimated, for there is much less discomfort and complaint about it than the first week we were here. The dust storms are no less annoying and no less frequent.

Our Y. M. C. A. tent is certainly a great success. It is patronized freely and I should judge by nearly every man in the Regiment. Messrs. Brown and Chapman have plenty of work, but their services have not a little to do with the success of the building.

Monday I was in San Antonio to buy a piano for the Y. M. C. A. The money was contributed largely by the officers. I found the city very interesting and evidently prosperous. I had two hotel meals, the first time I have used a napkin since my dinner on June 26. There are some blessings we do not ordinarily notice.

JOHN M. THOMAS.

Eagle Pass, Texas,
August 8, 1916.

VERMONT OPINION

COIN FROM ARNOLD'S FLAGSHIP.

St. Johnsbury Republican.

A summer visitor, on his honeymoon in Vergennes, found an English penny bearing the date of 1775, supposed to have been washed up from Arnold's flagship sunk during the Revolutionary war. Strange what these newsweds discover while strolling on the beach.

MISSOURI JUSTICE.

Rutland News.

From time immemorial the drastic penalties administered by Vermont courts to violators of the liquor selling laws have been the subject of editorial denunciation. Vermont penalties, however, pale into insignificance beside those given in Missouri. In Dade county in that State, a druggist was fined eight thousand dollars and sentenced to eight years in jail, while his partner drew a four thousand dollar fine and four years in jail for pursuing the gentle art of bootlegging.

Y. M. C. A. TENT APPRECIATED.

Rutland News.

Chaplain John M. Thomas of the First Vermont regiment, National Guard, in service on the international border in Texas, speaks in words of deepest appreciation of the beneficence of Vermonters in providing a tent and two workers of the Y. M. C. A. for the militiamen. It is well to remember that the funds for this enterprise were contributed largely by five ex-governors

of Vermont, Carroll S. Page, E. C. Smith, G. H. Prouty, Allen M. Fletcher and the survivors of Fletcher D. Proctor. It is a most practical means of alleviating the hardships of the Vermont boys in torrid Texas.

NOT AS BLACK AS PAINTED.

Richford Gazette.

Experts in the Department of Agriculture have been taking a gizzard survey to discover what birds eat—they're teaching the farmer where to point the shot-gun. Ignorance has long confused some of the leading policemen of the air with the upper criminal classes. For instance, there is the crow. Of course he does steal a few grains of corn and uproot an occasional succulent stalk. But why begrudge him such trifles? Let him take his little bit on the side—he's entitled to his board. Old Cornix is a staunch ally of man, a doughty bug hunter, an omnivorous worm killer and weed eater. He isn't nearly as black as he is painted.

VERMONT HIGHWAYS.

Burlington Clipper.

According to the report of the State Treasurer appropriations of \$382,000.44 were made by the State for highway improvement for the year ending June 30. This does not take into account the amounts expended by the towns and cities. It is reasonable to expect that Vermont expended nearly a million dollars on its highways and streets last year—and received very little in return. There can have been but little result as it is conceded that the highways to-day are not in any better condition than a year ago. Here and there some good roads are found but in general much better results should be expected for the large amount of money spent.

DESERVED PUNISHMENT.

St. Johnsbury Caledonian.

The public in general will be pleased with the sentence of a fine of \$300 and costs and to serve from four to six months in the house of correction imposed on Harry Boyd by Judge F. E. Barber of Brattleboro. Boyd is the man who recently ran an auto through Brattleboro while intoxicated and threw Mrs. W. M. Randall from his auto, besides striking a bridge, a team and injuring other people. Believing that a heavy enough fine could not be imposed for reckless driving, State's Attorney Hughes made the charge against him of breach of the peace which allowed the imposition of a fine commensurate with his offence. It looks as though the judicial department of the government is ready to co-operate with the prosecuting officers in stopping the operation of automobiles by intoxicated persons.

GOOD RATINGS FOR 1ST VERMONT.

Barre Times.

"There is no mistake, the food is excellent," writes home a member of the 1st Vermont infantry now encamped at Eagle Pass, Tex., and he gives a sample menu of the dinner as follows: "We have iced tea or lemonade, bread and butter, potatoes and meat and also soup; then for a big top-off, as the boys call it, a big plate of good pudding." Surely good enough for anyone, and far better, in fact, than richer foods for existence in that climate. That there is plenty of it is further revealed by the same writer, who declares: "After you have been around for the second time you are pretty well filled up." The supper are not quite so ample but they are substantial for an evening meal, consisting of "coffee, bread and butter, potatoes and meat, and either apple sauce, prunes or peaches." Relatives and friends of the boys at the front need not fear that the soldiers will suffer for want of good, wholesome rations, and plenty of them.

OBSTRUCTED VISION.

Barre Times.

The selectmen of many towns in Vermont have been negligent this summer in the matter of cutting away the brush and small trees in close proximity to the highway, their failure having added to the inconvenience of travel and even to the actual danger. This applies particularly to sections where curves in the highway are bordered by this obstruction to vision, the result being that there is grave danger of collision between automobiles or between automobiles and teams or between teams. Some of Vermont's roads are twisting enough in and of themselves to make travel extremely hazardous even at a slow speed; and the added handicap of obstructed vision makes them very much more of a menace. The people of every town should courteously bring this matter to the attention of their selectmen and request that the brush and small trees, closely bordering the highway be cut without further delay. Prompt work along this line may forestall serious accident.

A GOOD RULE.

Springfield Reporter.

The Inter-Fraternity Council of Middlebury College has adopted eight rules for the guidance of Middlebury College boys, in securing new members for their "frats." One of these reads as follows: "No fraternity shall say anything detrimental concerning another." This is a mighty fine rule, but one that will be exceedingly difficult of enforcement, con-

sidering that human nature is found in as large chunks in the average college as anywhere else in all the wide, wide world. The average young man of today is inclined to think that the quickest way to win another young man to himself is to run down his opponent, and that the easiest manner in which the claims of a rival fraternity can be put out of commission is to roundly denounce it, and to maintain that it is absolutely worthless. But such is not the case. The reverse is true.

There is something deep down in the breast of every person that calls for fair play, and denounces, silently or openly, a campaign of vilification. Knocking your neighbor to boost yourself does not pay in politics, business, social life or in anything else.

VERMONT NEWS.

MILK PLANT ATTACHED.

Attorney Robert W. McCuen, representing several creditors of the Graustein Milk company, has attached the property of the milk company at Vergennes station and the reception of milk has been refused for the present. The matter was taken up in municipal court for settlement.

UNEARTH SKELETON.

While excavating in Orwell on the farm of J. M. Stevens, the skeleton of what appears to have been an Indian was unearthed. The entire skeleton was there and in a fair state of preservation. It was found under three feet of slate, and the supposition is that the bank slid down and caught the victim.

KILLED DOE.

Perley Albee a few days ago shot and killed a good sized doe, which was feeding on beets in his garden in Townshend. The game warden was notified and gave him permission to keep the meat. The doe's stomach was opened and was found to be full of small beets. The deer killed and another have consumed practically all the beets and mangels in the garden of F. C. Cutler, near Mr. Albee's.

WOMAN CROSS-EXAMINES DEFENDANT.

Probably a precedent was established in Rutland county on Friday, when Clarke C. Fitts of Brattleboro, sitting as special master of court, permitted a woman plaintiff, Mrs. Marion Egbert of New York, to cross examine a defendant, who in the case at hand was Percival W. Clement of Rutland. The controversy involves a \$14,000 account for services. Mrs. Egbert claims she was employed at \$20 a week to compile a genealogy.

JUMPED IN FRONT OF AUTO.

Saturday afternoon as O. N. Grant, an elderly man of Orleans was walking toward his home on the Willoughby lake road, he was knocked down by an automobile driven by C. E. Kirk of St. Johnsbury. It is said that the automobile turned out on the side of the road on which Mr. Grant was and when he saw the car coming upon him he lost his head and instead of jumping into the ditch he sprang in front of the automobile. The result was a broken leg, rib and many bruises.

STATION BURGLARIZED.

The Central Vermont railway's station at Enosburg Falls was burglarized Sunday morning, entrance being effected through the office windows. The safe, which was a small one, was taken, containing several mileages and about \$10 in cash. Fresh automobile tracks gave the only clue. An express package of cigars with about 12 boxes was also broken into and eight of them taken. The rifling of a piece of baggage was not completed, something having evidently interfered with operations.

AUTO PLUNGES THROUGH BRIDGE.

A Ford delivery automobile belonging to the G. S. Blodgett company of Burlington and driven by Marcellus H. Landon, with K. E. Prouty and George W. Durfee as passengers, plunged through the guard rail of the bridge over the Lamolle river and turned turtle at the bottom of a 10-foot embankment shortly before noon Saturday morning, without any of its occupants being seriously injured.

CHILD SHOT WITH RIFLE.

A bullet from a 22-rifle bored a hole in one toe for Miss Bertina Cerasoli at her home in Barre Saturday afternoon. The child is 12 years old and the accident occurred while she was playing with her brother's rifle. Just now the brother, Michael Cerasoli, is getting ready to leave Fort Ethan Allen with a contingent of Vermont boys slated for a sojourn on the border. The little girl took down the gun and was examining the workings of the trigger when it exploded. The bullet passed through her left shoe, penetrated the great toe and went through the floor.

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CHARGED WITH THEIVING.

Cornelius Barlow, aged 14, and Harry Russell, nine years of age of Burlington were taken into custody by the police Saturday afternoon, charged with thieving. They were detained at the station for some time and allowed to go to their homes. At frequent intervals during the past year packages of meat which have been rolled up in the meat shop of the F. Howes company placed in the rear of the store preparatory to delivery have been missed. Barlow has hung about the market more or less and the employees there became suspicious of him. Barlow was caught once when he attempted to take meat from the block in the rear of the store and was allowed to go.

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